

Report of the
GRADED STAKES COMMITTEE

**Group & Listed Race
Schedule for
2008/2009 Season**

**following Review of
2007/08 Season**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The Graded Stakes Review for races run in the 2007/08 season has been completed by the Committee established for that purpose. The schedule of Group and Listed Races to be run in the 2008/09 season has now been confirmed.
2. The information set out in the Introduction (Section 1) and Guiding Principles (Section 2) is similar to previous reports.
3. In the schedule of Black Type races for 2008/09, there have been two additional races included at Listed status (Westbury Classic and the Ellerslie Oaks), conducted by the Auckland Racing Club; two races upgraded from Listed to Group 3 (GR Kelt Memorial and the Waikato Stud Foxbridge Plate) for the 2009/2010 season subject to satisfactory performances in the current season; two races have been downgraded from Group 1 to Group 2 (Avondale Cup and the Wellington Cup); one race has been downgraded from Group 2 to Group 3 (Hawke's Bay Cup); one race (New Zealand Cup) with effect in the 2009/10 season. Additionally two races have been delisted (Avondale Fillies Classic and Mason Appliances 4YO Stakes), the delisting of the latter will take effect for the 2009/10 season. Under the revised schedule, the total number of Black Type flat races is 146.
4. The Committee is of the view that to maintain flexibility for future deliberations, 1st Warnings will be issued at the earliest sign of any decline in the quality of a race. There are currently 34 races with 1st Warnings compared to 45 on the previous list, and 22 races with 2nd Warnings compared with 29 previously. There are 12 races that have had their Warnings removed.

INTRODUCTION

- 1.1** The Committee appointed to review the Graded Stakes races conducted in 2007/08 was as follows:
- Chairman: Mr Peter Fennessy, Dunedin
- NZTR Nominees: Mr Dean Nowell (alternate for Paul Bittar 2007-08 Reviews), Wellington
Mr Tom Jamison, Otaki
Mr John Rattray, Wellington
- NZTBA Nominees: Mr Michael Martin, Auckland
Mr Nick Wigley (Interim for 2007-08 Reviews), Canterbury
Mr Stephen Till, Waikato
- Other: Mr Chas Amon, Arion Pedigrees, Auckland
(as a representative of the Bloodstock (Sales) Agents)
- 1.2** The 2008 review was undertaken in accordance with the provisions of Rules 607-612 of the Rules of Racing. Attention is drawn to the Guiding Principles set out in Section 2.
- 1.3** The objective of the Committee was to produce a list in five categories (namely Group 1, Group 2, Group 3, Listed and Prestige Jumping Races) of the best races in New Zealand for horses of different ages, sex and aptitudes, in terms of the quality of the horses contesting those races. The Prestige Jumping races and the late season two-year-old races are reviewed at the November Graded Stakes Committee meeting.
- One of the main purposes of the list is to protect the international reputation of New Zealand's thoroughbred bloodstock by demonstrating that performance is measured according to the specifications of the International Cataloguing Standards Committee for inclusion in Part 1 of the International Cataloguing Standards Handbook.
- 1.4** A feature of the operation of the Graded Stakes Committee is the two-year warning process. Warnings have been a part of the report of the Committee since 1995 and the Committee believes the warning system is working well.
- 1.5** Although there is no appeal process available to any party against the decisions of the Committee in respect of any race or races, application may be made to a Review Panel for a review of the Committee's List of Black Type races. In considering any such application for review, the Review Panel shall have regard to the following:

- (a) whether the Committee has adequately carried out its functions as defined in Rule 610(1);
- (b) whether adequate notice has been given to the Club concerned in terms of Rule 610(3) prior to the downgrading or delisting of any particular race or races;
- (c) whether the changes relied upon by the Committee for downgrading or delisting a race pursuant to Rule 610(3)(c) justify such actions;
- (d) whether new information or changed circumstances have arisen since the Committee made its determination in respect of any particular race or races.

The Review Panel may confirm the List produced by the Committee or set aside the List and prescribe the terms for referring it back to the Committee for reconsideration.

Parties that can request a review are the Board of NZTR, individual racing clubs, the New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association or any branch thereof, and the Bloodstock Agents' Federation.

All requests for a review must be lodged with the Chief Executive of NZTR not later than 28 days after the date of publication of the List.

It should be noted that applications to the Review Panel for a review of the Committee's List of Black Type races can only be made in respect of races downgraded or deleted from the list. The review process does not apply in respect of warnings.

- 1.6** During the 2004/05 season, a Strategic Review of the Pattern of Racing was commissioned by the Board of NZTR. A Committee was appointed in early 2004 with the requirement to report to the Board by November 2004.

The key outcome sought from the Review was that the Black Type structure should recognise and help define the strength of the New Zealand thoroughbred, particularly in the International context. Therefore, any proposed changes need to be viewed as being designed to produce an overall benefit to the New Zealand racing industry.

Recommendations:

The Committee established by NZTR to conduct the review made the following eight key recommendations, which were subsequently endorsed by the NZTR Board:

1. *That* the industry takes a proactive series of steps to re-emphasise the New Zealand industry's strength in middle distance and staying races and programmes races accordingly, and that NZTR notes the importance of adopting patterns, schedules and funding of races to ensure that the New Zealand industry can regain its former position of strength.

2. *That* NZTR adopts the philosophy that Group 1 and 2 races are regarded as National targets, whereas Group 3 and Listed races are generally regarded as Regional targets.
3. *That* NZTR adopts the philosophy that Easter Saturday be ignored in the Dates Calendar for Clubs hosting Black Type events on that day.
4. *That* NZTR supports the proposed Auckland March Carnival and the associated re-positioning of feature races as proposed by the Review Committee.
5. *That* the industry commits to an investment in track maintenance and upgrading, and in research and assessment of tracks, so that track surfaces are presented at their optimum.
6. *That* the Graded Stakes Committee be instructed that changes in conditions of individual races to help develop the new pattern will not affect the current Black Type status of those races for a period of two years from the commencement of the 2005/06 racing season.
7. *That* NZTR establishes an independent group whose obligation it will be to keep under review the pattern of racing in New Zealand. The group would be expected to work with the Graded Stakes Committee.
8. *That* NZTR develops some criteria, in respect of early entry races, to regulate the direct cost to owners including limiting the type of race, (e.g. Group 1 and 2 only), determining the total proportion of the stakes budgeted to be contributed by horses that do not start in the race, and supervising the timing and the number of payments.

In line with Recommendation 7 above, the Board of NZTR reconvened the Pattern of Racing Review Committee to report in 2007.

The GSC notes that the POR Review Committee endorsed the eight key recommendations of the 2004 Strategic Review of the Pattern of Racing outlined above.

The GSC notes that the NZTR Board endorsed all Recommendations of the POR Annual Review Committee with the exception of the recommendation around “ownership of Black Type races”.

The GSC has been cognisant of the aims expressed within the recommendations of both the 2004 Strategic Review and the report of the POR Annual Review Committee, when conducting the 2008 Graded Stakes review.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 2.1** The primary consideration in assessing the standing of races is the quality of horses competing. The quality of the field precedes the gaining of Black Type rather than the reverse. The Committee looks for consistency over time in the quality and depth of the field, taking into account the performances of the horses involved, principally in Group and Listed races. The Committee also places emphasis on the timing and place of the race within the pattern of racing on the annual calendar and the prize money offered.
- 2.2** The two-year POR moratorium concluded as at the end of the 2006/07 racing season.
- 2.3** Maintaining continuity of races on the Black Type List is regarded as desirable, so long as the continuity is credible.
- 2.4** Group and Listed races run at stakes below the Minimum Stakes Levels set by NZTR will be automatically downgraded.
- 2.5** For a race to be upgraded into or within the Black Type schedule, it must have been run under the same terms and conditions, distance and timing, for two consecutive runnings, before consideration is given to upgrading. This may be deviated from in exceptional circumstances. The quality of the field precedes the gaining of Black Type rather than the reverse. In line with international trends it is unlikely that handicap races will be upgraded to Group 1.
- 2.6** The Committee has assessed the races and issued its report on the basis of information supplied by the clubs in July 2008. Where any significant change is proposed to the race in terms of one or more of the distance, the date, stake money, venue, club conducting the race, or the conditions of the race, clubs should be aware under Rule 610(3)(c) that the status of the race shall be liable for immediate review in the 2008/09 season. Each change or combination thereof is considered on a case-by-case basis. The race rated by the Committee is the event conducted by the club under the advertised conditions.

The following principles apply in the event of changes to conditions of Black Type races:

- a) Where a Group, Listed or Prestige Jumping Race is scheduled and a Club declines to programme such a race, then the NZTR Board has the power to re-allocate the race to another Club willing to run the race within the same terms and conditions within the current pattern
- b) Where a Group, Listed or Prestige Jumping Race is programmed but the Club declines to run the race prior to entries being called, then the NZTR Board has the power to re-allocate the race to another Club willing to run the race within the current pattern.

- c) Where a Group, Listed or Prestige Jumping Race is programmed and nominations are called for, then the race must be run, regardless of the number of acceptors.
- 2.7** The Committee makes recommendations where it feels that the pattern of racing could be improved with the introduction of a particular type of race or races.
- 2.8** The personnel appointed to the Graded Stakes Committee are expected to have the expertise and experience to exercise flexibility and discretion whilst continually maintaining a review of appropriate levels of Black Type opportunity for horses of different age, sex and aptitudes, throughout the total New Zealand racing scene.
- 2.9** All Group and Listed races for two and three-year-olds are to be run at set weights. In the overall pattern, weight-for-age races are given a higher priority than set weight races, which in turn are given a higher priority than handicap races.
- 2.10** As a target, the Committee restricts the number of Black Type races in total to approximately 5% of the estimated number of races run during the season. This is in line with international guidelines and is considered appropriate for New Zealand conditions.

The Graded Stakes Committee endeavours to establish and maintain the internationally accepted “pyramid” approach in order to ensure international credibility with regard to the allocation of New Zealand Black Type races. This is based on the Pyramid Model used by most Part 1 countries as recorded by the International Cataloguing Standards Committee. The pyramid has 12% of Group & Listed races as Group 1, 15% as Group 2, 19% as Group 3 and 54% as Listed.

The Committee notes that the current NZ pyramid does not conform with the internationally accepted breakdown (as per the findings of the POR Annual Review Committee) and that this matter will be addressed.

The Committee is reviewing the approach to international assessment of races, in line with recent changes to assessment calculation methodology.

Given the Guiding Principles that the Graded Stakes Committee operates within, as prescribed by NZTR and the Rules of Racing, it is unable to address this issue other than by utilising the Warning system. It is noted that utilising the warning system would mean that a race would be afforded a further two renewals prior to any downgrading, hence prolonging the necessary remedial adjustments required to be made to the pyramid.

- 2.11** The annual review is not restricted to those races on the existing list and those for which submissions have been received. All ‘Open’ races on the calendar conducted for a stake of \$40,000 or more are entitled to, and many are given, consideration by the Committee.
- 2.12** When a race is being considered for demotion or delisting, a written warning will be given to the club and the race will not be demoted or

delisted until the race has been run with a second warning. Where clubs have already had a first warning in respect of a race, the warning may be maintained, lifted or replaced with a 2nd Warning. Where a 2nd Warning has been issued, this may be maintained or lifted, or reverted to a 1st Warning, or the race downgraded or delisted.

The warning period is not applicable where a race has undergone changes in respect of either distance, timing, reduction in stake money, venue, club conducting the race and/or conditions from the original race, or when the race has been abandoned or not renewed, except in respect of changes due to the Pattern of Racing Review outlined under 2.2.

Because a club is entitled to have two further runnings of a race after the 1st Warning is given, to maintain flexibility for future deliberations the Committee intends to issue and maintain 1st Warnings at the earliest sign of any decline in quality of a race.

2.13 There is no appeal process available against the decisions of the Committee in respect of any race or races. However, application may be made to a Review Panel for a review of the Committee's list as outlined under 1.5 in the Introduction. An application for a review does not apply in respect of a warning.

2.14 Registered Race Names have been introduced to enable a race to be identified over a period of years, regardless of the changes that may be made to its raceday name. The Registered Race Names provide the historical link to the current race name and sponsor.

2.15 Given the timing of the report from the GSC, the following procedure has been adopted with respect to the date at which the re-grading of races takes effect:

Races that have been programmed and notified by way of the Programming Book will not be affected; in effect this means that any race which is re-graded in the Northern and Central regions and which is programmed to be run (and notified by way of the Programming Book) in the period from 1 August to 31 October will not be affected; for the South Island, the equivalent dates are 1 August to 30 November. That is, the re-grading will apply from the following season. However the re-grading of any races that are planned for outside these periods will take effect in the new season.

COMMENTS

3.1 The Committee was cognisant of the key findings of the POR Annual Review Committee, namely the issues surrounding the entire two-year-old pattern; the decision to allow Group 3 and Listed events to change conditions from Weight-For-Age to Set Weights with Penalties; the current state of the NZ pyramid; and the need to develop suitable penalty free races as lead-ins to major Carnival features.

3.2 Over the last three years, the Committee has spent considerable time during its review reflecting on the depth and quality of fields being attracted to open staying races, with particular reference to recent runnings of the 3200m handicaps. In the final analysis the Committee determined to downgrade the Wellington and Avondale Cups (to Group 2) and the New Zealand Cup (to Group 3).

The Committee also determined to issue 1st Warnings on the following Group 1 event - Waikato Draught Sprint [Waikato Sprint] (1400m) and a 2nd Warning on the Group 1 Railway Handicap (1200m).

3.3 One of the key recommendations of the Strategic Review of the Pattern of Racing was that the industry takes a proactive series of steps to re-emphasise the strength of the New Zealand industry in middle-distance and staying races and programme races accordingly. The Committee notes that NZTR is now dealing with this issue through programming and added stakes initiatives. However it is disappointing that the quality of the fields for many of the black-type staying races is such that it has been necessary to downgrade four of these races.

3.4 It is the responsibility of the club to notify the GSC where a significant change in conditions is contemplated. Changes in one or more of the distance, timing and conditions can in fact result in an entirely different race being conducted. Although the Committee is sympathetic to programming and other issues, the integrity of the system is paramount.

3.5 For the 2008/09 season, the Committee supports the Minimum Stakes Levels adopted by NZTR and set out below:

Status	Minimum Stake
Group 1	\$200,000
Group 2	\$100,000
Group 3	\$75,000
Listed	\$55,000

3.6 Appreciation is expressed to those involved with making submissions, the majority of whom follow the guidelines advised to clubs, which in turn assists the Committee with its deliberations.

- 3.7** When considering the four Listed 2YO races (Great Northern Foal Stakes, Triton Stakes, Northland Breeders Stakes and Ryder Stakes) run subsequent to 1 May each season, the Committee consider subsequent 3YO form up to 31 October and then provide a supplementary report detailing the status of these four races for the current season, by 30 November each season. The Prestige Jumping Races are also considered at the November meeting.

SUMMARY

4.1 As a result of the review, the number of Black Type races for 2008/09 compared with previous seasons is as follows:

Status	08-09	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05	03-04	02-03	01-02	00-01	99-00	98-99	97-98	96-97
Group 1	22	24	24	24	23	23	22	22	21	21	21	21	21
Group 2	23	23	23	22	21	21	22	21	22	22	22	21	21
Group 3	33	29	31	32	34	34	37	38	39	37	37	41	41
Listed	68	70	69	70*	69	68	70	72	70	71	72	70	69
Total	146	146	147	148	147	146	151	153	152	151	152	153	152
PJR	N/A	13	11	12	12	12	12	14	13	13	13	13	13

* The number of Prestige Jumping Races will be confirmed at the Graded Stakes Committee meeting in November.

4.2 The 2008/09 list includes the following changes to the previous season:

Promotions/Relegations

Upgrade Waikato Stud Foxbridge Plate [Foxbridge Plate] from Listed to Group 3, subject to a quality field in the current season.

GR Kelt Memorial from Listed to Group 3 subject to a quality field in the current season.

Westbury Classic [Registered name TBA] include in Listings

Ellerslie Oaks [Registered name TBA] include in Listings

Downgrade Avondale Gold Cup [Avondale Cup] from Group 1 to Group 2

Wellington Cup from Group 1 to Group 2

Christchurch Casino New Zealand Cup [New Zealand Cup] from Group 2 to Group 3 (raced at Group 2 in the current season).

Davmet Hawke's Bay Cup [Hawke's Bay Cup] from Group 2 to Group 3

De-listed New Zealand Bloodstock Two Year Old Fillies Stakes [Avondale Fillies Classic]

Mason Appliances 4YO Stakes (run at Listed in the current season)

- 4.3** There were 2,962 flat races run in the 2007/08 season with more scheduled (approximately 3,073) in the 2008/09 season. The number of Black Type races for each season equates approximately to the 5% guiding principle.
- 4.4** There are 34 races currently with 1st Warnings, compared to 45 last season, and 22 races with 2nd Warnings compared to 29 last season.

PROMOTIONS & RELEGATIONS

5.1 Promotions

Promotion from Listed to Group 3

Waikato Stud Foxbridge Plate [Foxbridge Plate]

This race conducted by the Waikato Racing Club continues to perform well. It is now utilised as a lead-up to the Mudgway PartsWorld Stakes [Hawke's Bay Challenge Stakes].

Given its place in the pattern, and continued strength, it will be upgraded from Listed to Group 3 in the 2009/10 season subject to a quality field in the current season.

GR Kelt Memorial

This race conducted by Hawke's Bay Racing Inc. has performed very well since its inception. Given the strength of the race it will be upgraded to Group 3 status in the 2009/10 season subject to a quality field in the current season.

Promotion to Listed Status

Westbury Classic [Registered name TBC]

This race conducted by the Auckland Racing Club has performed very well since its inception in 2005/06. Given the strength of the race it has been determined that it will be conducted as a Listed event in 2008/09.

Ellerslie Oaks [Registered name TBC]

This race conducted by the Auckland Racing Club has performed very well since its inception in 2005/06 it now acts as an important lead up race to the New Zealand Oaks. Given the strength of the race it has been determined that it will be conducted as a Listed event in 2008/09.

5.2 Relegations

Downgrade from Group 1 to Group 2

Wellington Cup

This race was placed under a 2nd warning in 2006/07. The Committee was not satisfied with the quality of the field in 2007/08 and has determined that it does not warrant Group 1 status. Accordingly, the race has been downgraded to Group 2 status.

Avondale Gold Cup [Avondale Cup]

This race was placed under a 2nd warning in 2006/07. The Committee was not satisfied with the quality of the field in 2007/08 and has determined that it does not warrant Group 1 status. Accordingly, the race has been downgraded to Group 2 status.

Downgrade from Group 2 to Group 3

Christchurch Casino New Zealand Cup [New Zealand Cup]

This race was placed under a 2nd warning in 2006/07. The Committee was not satisfied with the quality of the field in 2007/08 and has determined that it does not warrant Group 2 status. Accordingly, the race has been downgraded to Group 3 status, which will take effect in the 2009/10 season.

Davmet Hawke's Bay Cup [Hawke's Bay Cup]

This race was placed under a 2nd warning in 2004/05. The Committee was not satisfied with the quality of the field in 2007/08 and has determined that it does not warrant Group 2 status. Accordingly, the race has been downgraded to Group 3 status.

De-listed

New Zealand Bloodstock Two Year Old Fillies Stakes [Avondale Fillies Classic]

This race has been conducted under a 2nd Warning since 2003/04. The Committee is not satisfied that the overall quality of the race has improved and has determined that it does not warrant its Listed status. Accordingly, the race has been deleted from the Listings for the 2008/09 season.

Mason Appliances 4YO Stakes [Mason Appliances 4YO]

This race has been conducted under a 2nd Warning since 2003/04. The Committee is not satisfied that the overall quality of the race has improved and has determined that it does not warrant its Listed status. Accordingly, the race has been deleted from the Listings with effect in the 2009/10 season.

SECTION 6

WARNINGS SUMMARY

6.1 Summary of Warnings

Status	2nd Warnings Maintained	2nd Warnings Issued	Reverted to 1st Warnings	1st Warnings Maintained	1st Warnings Issued	1st Warnings Removed
Group 1	0	1	0	3	1	2
Group 2	1	1	0	3	0	1
Group 3	1	3	2	4	1	3
Listed	13	2	6	13	1	6
Total	15	7	8	23	3	12

* Prestige Jumping Races will be confirmed at the November Graded Stakes Committee meeting

6.2 2nd Warnings Maintained

G2	Lawnmaster Awapuni Gold Cup	<i>Awapuni Gold Cup</i>	Manawatu RC
G3	White Robe Lodge Handicap	<i>White Robe Lodge Handicap</i>	Gallop South
LR	Bonecrusher Stakes	<i>Great Northern Guineas Trial</i>	Auckland RC
LR	Liquorland Gore Guineas	<i>Gore Guineas</i>	Gallop South
LR	Dunedin Guineas	<i>Dunedin Guineas</i>	Gallop South
LR	ILT Ascot Park Hotel Southland Guineas	<i>Southland Guineas</i>	Gallop South
LR	New Zealand Bloodstock Insurance Stakes	<i>ORC Breeders Stakes</i>	Gallop South
LR	New Zealand Bloodstock Airfreight Stakes	<i>Inglewood Stakes</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	New Zealand Bloodstock Warstep Stakes	<i>Warstep Stakes</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	New Zealand St Leger Stakes	<i>New Zealand St Leger</i>	Wellington RC
LR	Christchurch Casino Winter Classic	<i>Winter Classic</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	Dunedin Casino Dunedin Gold Cup	<i>Dunedin Cup</i>	Gallop South
LR	Dunedin Casino Invercargill Gold Cup	<i>Invercargill Cup</i>	Gallop South
LR	Cornwall Handicap	<i>Cornwall Handicap</i>	Auckland RC
LR	South Island Breeders Stakes	<i>South Island Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes</i>	Canterbury Racing

6.3 2nd Warnings Issued

G1	Waiwera Infinity Railway Handicap	<i>Railway Handicap</i>	Auckland RC
G2	Waikato Times Gold Cup	<i>Waikato Cup</i>	Waikato RC
G3	Gold Club Metropolitan Handicap	<i>Metropolitan Handicap</i>	Canterbury Racing

G3	Thompson Handicap	<i>Thompson Handicap</i>	Wellington RC
G3	Ford 2YO Classic	<i>Taranaki 2YO Classic</i>	Taranaki RC
LR	First Sovereign Trust Feilding Gold Cup	<i>Feilding Cup</i>	Feilding JC
LR	Te Rapa Supa Centa Sprint	<i>Westminster Handicap</i>	Waikato RC

6.4 Reverted to 1st Warnings from 2nd warning

G3	Lindauer Brut Cuvee Stakes	<i>Alison Stakes</i>	Auckland RC
G3	New Zealand Bloodstock Cuddle Stakes	<i>Cuddle Stakes</i>	Wellington RC
LR	First Sovereign Trust Stakes	<i>Counties Bowl</i>	Counties RC
LR	McIntee Event Hire Levin Stakes	<i>Levin Stakes</i>	Levin RC
LR	Cambridge Thoroughbred Sales Wanganui Cup	<i>Wanganui Cup</i>	Wanganui JC
LR	Timaru Stakes	<i>Timaru Stakes</i>	Canterbury RC
LR	Canterbury Breeders Stakes	<i>Canterbury Breeders Stakes</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	Cambridge Thoroughbred Lodge Wairarapa Breeders Stakes	<i>Wairarapa Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes</i>	Wairarapa RC

6.5 1st Warnings Maintained

G1	Whakanui International Stakes	<i>International Stakes</i>	Waikato RC
G1	First Sovereign Trust NZ Stakes	<i>Second Century Stakes</i>	Auckland RC
G1	New Zealand Bloodstock Breeders Stakes	<i>NZ Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes</i>	Racing Te Aroha
G2	Eagle Technology Counties Cup	<i>Counties Cup</i>	Counties RC
G2	Ford Wakefield Challenge Stakes	<i>Wakefield Challenge Stakes</i>	Wellington RC
G2	Robin, Duke of Bedford Matamata Breeders Stakes	<i>Matamata Breeders Stakes</i>	Racing Matamata
G3	Trentham Stakes	<i>Trentham Stakes</i>	Wellington RC
G3	LJ Hooker Manawatu Cup	<i>Manawatu Cup</i>	Manawatu RC
G3	The Oaks Stud Manawatu Classic	<i>Manawatu Classic</i>	Manawatu RC
G3	Eulogy Stakes	<i>Eulogy Stakes</i>	Manawatu RC
LR	Ford Welcome Stakes	<i>CJC Welcome Stakes</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	Murdoch Newell Stakes	<i>Counties Challenge Stakes</i>	Counties RC
LR	Fairview Ford Stakes	<i>Star Way 1000</i>	Waikato RC
LR	Fairview Ford Slipper	<i>Matamata Slipper</i>	Racing Matamata
LR	Selwyn River Stud Champagne Stakes	<i>CJC Champagne Stakes</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	HS Dyke Wanganui Guineas	<i>Wanganui Guineas</i>	Wanganui JC

LR	Ray Coupland Stakes	<i>John Grigg Stakes</i>	Ashburton RC
LR	Christchurch Casino Spring Classic	<i>Easter Classic</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	ABN Ambro Craigs Eclipse Stakes	<i>James Hazlett Stakes</i>	Gallop South
LR	James Bull Rangitikei Gold Cup	<i>Marton Handicap 1600</i>	Rangitikei RC
LR	Kiwifruit Cup	<i>Owens Trophy</i>	Racing Tauranga
LR	Taumarunui Cup	<i>Taumarunui Cup</i>	Taumarunui RC
LR	Windsor Park Stud Manawatu Breeders Stakes	<i>Manawatu Breeders Stakes</i>	Manawatu RC

6.6 1st Warnings Issued

G1	Waikato Draught Sprint	<i>Waikato Sprint</i>	Waikato RC
G3	Hooker Pacific Taranaki Cup	<i>Taranaki Stakes</i>	Taranaki RC

6.7 1st Warning Removed

G1	Captain Cook Stakes	<i>Captain Cook Stakes</i>	Wellington RC
G1	Zabeel Classic	<i>Galaxy Stakes</i>	Auckland RC
G2	Gasmate Stakes	<i>Lady Norrie Stakes</i>	Waikato RC
G3	Lindauer Stewards Handicap	<i>Stewards Handicap</i>	Canterbury Racing
G3	Christchurch Casino Easter Cup	<i>CJC George Adams (Tattersall) Handicap</i>	Canterbury Racing
G3	First Sovereign Trust Rotorua Cup	<i>Rotorua Cup</i>	Racing Rotorua
LR	Gillies Group Wellesley Stakes	<i>Wellesley Stakes</i>	Wellington RC
LR	Carters-GIB Stakes	<i>Trudy Thomson Memorial</i>	Wanganui JC
LR	Jim & John Evans Ltd Classic	<i>Jim & John Evans Metric Mile</i>	Counties RC
LR	Yesburg Insurance Service Pegasus Stakes	<i>Pegasus Handicap</i>	Canterbury Racing
LR	Coupland's Bakeries Cup	<i>Timaru Cup</i>	South Canterbury RC
LR	Ingham – Sears Mercedes-Benz BOP Stakes	<i>Rotorua Stakes</i>	Racing Rotorua